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Park and Wildlife Initiative Would Fund Local Projects

Conservation and civic groups are circulating a petition for a statewide initiative to acquire park lands and preserve wildlife habitat and coastal areas. The initiative would place a \$776 million bond act on the California ballot in June 1988. If the bond is approved by the voters, Monterey County would receive at least \$32 million of these funds.

Local groups soliciting signatures for the California Wildlife, Coastal and Park Land Conservation Act initiative include Friends of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, Sierra Club, Audubon Society, California Native Plant Society, Big Sur Partnership and Big Sur Preservation Committee.

In order to qualify the initiative for the ballot, 399,000 valid signatures must be gathered between June 15 and October 15, 1987. (Readers wishing to support this initiative should note the advertisement on page 11.)

The proposed bond act specifies numerous statewide and local projects that would receive funds. Projects in Monterey County are:

- \$25 million for viewshed preservation in Big Sur.
- \$2 million to the Monterey for expansion of Garland Park and acquisition

of the 1100 acre Canyon Creek Watershed of Big Sur.

- \$1.5 million for acquisition of coastal lands between Monterey and the Salinas River (mainly dune areas in Marina).

- \$4 million for preservation of agricultural lands in the Salinas and Pajaro Valleys.

According to Gary Tate, manager of the Regional Park District, three areas would be considered for expansion of Garland Park if these funds are received. They are 15 acres off De Los Helechos near the east end of the park, presently owned by Merv Griffin; the 145 acre Rancho Don Juan adjacent to the western end of the park; and

a 35 acre parcel next to the Trail and Saddle Club owned by the DeDampierre family.

If the initiative makes it to the ballot and is approved by voters, the Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District would receive a grant of \$20,000. This would come from a statewide program to allocate \$150 million on a per capita basis to counties, cities, and special park districts.

Other statewide programs would receive funds to be allocated to specific projects on a competitive basis. Some local projects, such as improvement of fish passage facilities at Los Padres Dam, might qualify. These statewide programs include \$10

million for salmon and steelhead protection, \$6 million for trails acquisition, \$11 million for historic preservation, and \$2 million to buy sites where Monarch butterflies spend the winter.

According to Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman, protection of Big Sur was part of the impetus for the entire initiative. There are about 100 undeveloped properties in the critical viewshed in Big Sur, and the county must find some way to compensate the property owners for not building on these properties. Strasser Kauffman explained that the \$25 million foreseen for this purpose in the Wildlife

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Traffic Issue Triggers Appeal Of Judge's Master Plan Ruling

Carmel Valley attorneys Richard Rosenthal and Zan Henson filed an appeal on July 2 of Judge Richard Silver's May 5 order on the Carmel Valley Master Plan. This time, the so called traffic trigger is the sticky issue.

How bad does the traffic have to get before it triggers action under the plan? And when the trigger is pulled, does all new construction stop or is some other action appropriate?

The county has started the process of amending the Master Plan to reflect Judge Silver's May 5 order on traffic standards. Rosenthal and Henson are dissatisfied with the intended action. Rosenthal advised the *Sun* he "just wants to ensure that the judge's order is implemented." Once that happens, "the appeal will be resolved."

Speaking for the county, Jose Ramos, Senior Deputy County Counsel, told the *Sun* that the county "will adopt explicit implementation measures that reflect the judge's decision as accurately as possible."

The two sides obviously agree that the judge's order should be implemented, but they disagree on what that order requires. To understand the judge's order, one must first know about Levels of Service. Level of Service, commonly abbreviated LOS, is a standardized procedure for describing road conditions. There are six categories, LOS A through LOS F, with A the best possible service and F the worst.

In his order of May 5, 1987, Judge Silver wrote as follows: "LOS C is the traffic standard adopted by county in the Carmel Valley Master Plan. It is a goal to be achieved over the life of the plan. With respect to those roads that are at LOS C or below, development must stop (including Lots of Record) when and if that development would significantly impact LOS.



Berta Ranch in the 1940s

This is one of nine old photographs reproduced by Marilyn Raynes for the Carmel Valley History Society. The History Society is selling the 7 1/2 by 9 1/2 inch reproductions to raise money for the society. They are available in the Village at the

Last Chance, Stu's Plumbing and in mid-valley at the Mid Valley Pharmacy.

This photograph shows grain being hauled to the thresher on the Berta Ranch. Patrick Berta is driving. The lead horses are Chub and Dolly, the wheelers Belle and Queen. Photograph was taken in the early 1940s by well-known Valley artist and photographer George Seideneck.

For LOS C, D and E would, as a minimum, occur when the LOS would fall to the next lower LOS. For LOS F this would occur when it would cause a significant impact and worsening of traffic conditions as compared with the present condition. Specific findings will be made with each project and may depend on the type and location of any proposed development. In that the existence of necessary infrastructure is what is critical, not the cause of a lack of infrastructure, cumulative impacts from areas outside the plan area must be considered and will cause the same result as development within the

plan area. When and if this point is reached no development can be approved until an EIR is prepared on necessary mitigation measures and appropriate findings are made."

On June 23, the Board of Supervisors directed the Planning Commission to hold public hearings to amend the Master Plan to implement the judge's order. The date for these hearings has not yet been set, but county staff has made its recommendation. This recommendation is to add the following provisions to the Master Plan:

- Twice yearly monitoring by the Public

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Town Hall Meeting On Marquard Offer

The Carmel Valley Park and Recreation District invites you to a special Town Hall meeting to vote on an offer by Michael Marquard to sell to the district controversial property adjacent to the Community Center and park.

The meeting is at the Community Center, at 7 p.m., on Monday July 27. See Page 2 for details.

LETTERS

Village Lighting

Anyone who has driven through The Village after dark in recent months could not help noticing the ever increasing illumination of our Village by a proliferation of street and security lights.

Some of the lights have been installed by owner/renter occupants. Other lighting, such as street lights, has been put up through a lease/rental agreement with PG & E. Those who support lighting in The Village do so on the premise that it provides security, reduces public liability insurance rates, and enhances the attractiveness of The Village. They strongly believe that the existing lights should remain and that those who wish to avail themselves of PG & E's street light service should be able to do so.

There is another group in The Village who are adamantly opposed to any type of street or flood lights. They desire low intensity, low level, indirect down lighting to illuminate walkways and driveways only. They point out that street lights detract from the rural character of The Village.

This opposing group argues that there was overwhelming rejection of the lighting district proposed by The Village Improvement Committee at a town meeting a few years ago, and that mandate included rejection of street and flood lights installed with private funds also.

We members of the Upper CV Advisory Committee wish to reflect what the community at large wants for The Village, so we are asking citizens who wish to have their opinions on this issue counted and recorded to please drop a post card to P.O. Box 1206, CV, CA 93924, or call 647-2278 anytime to cast your vote.

Jack Arnold,
Upper CV Advisory Committee

Editor's Note: The results of the Upper CV Advisory Committee poll will be published as a public service by the Carmel Valley Sun.

American Flag Stolen

Who would steal an American flag? Someone did during the night. It's sort of a shock to find that a symbol of our country, valuable only in mind, not in a practical sense, would be stolen.

I hope that whoever took it is proudly displaying it, as I did, but my wish is to go out in the morning to get my paper and find the red, white and blue back in its accustomed place.

Name withheld by request

Fire Protection

Responding to Gregory Stegeman in Valley Voices, for two years I have been increasing my practical knowledge of conservation and I can wholesale a workable pump and hose to CV residents to pump water from their existing swimming pools onto their homes in 15 minutes. If you will remember the brush fires in Malibu Canyon a few years back most of the people who waited for the overloaded, over-worked fire heroes lost their homes, and they all owned swimming pools!

Matt Cervelli

No Special Fire District

Though sometimes not happy compromises, there are some decisions we all make when leaving the relative safety of city life and move to the quiet and privacy of the country. One of those compromises is the lack of readily available fire protection. That is a decision we have all reconciled and, in doing so, we have learned to live with the reality of being "on our own" in case of structure fire.

For a large number of us, the formation of a fire district will not change that reality. When there is such a large territory to cover, and the engine is located a half hour or more away - what is the benefit?

With the new awareness caused by the Pebble Beach fire, better fire protection by formation of a special district is a noble cause. But to many of us, it represents only a potential "Pandora's Box" of additional taxes - a good example being the proposed Cachagua community park service county adults and kids who live in the wide open spaces next to a reservoir and year-round stream. What next? Sewers? Street lights?

No is our vote on the formation of a special district. To those of us who live outside the Cachagua Valley proper, CDF and prevention are now and always have been our best protection from wildland fire - with the assistance of friends and neighbors.

In summary: If you live 25 feet from the fire house you want to make sure the department has 25 feet of hose. If there is to be a district, include only those people who can be adequately served.

Ron Parkins
Liz Turner
Jamesburg

Anti Dam Coalition To Meet

The Coalition Against Building a New Dam will hold a campaign initiation meeting on Saturday July 25, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Community Room at the Monterey County Library in Monterey.

The Coalition Against Building a New Dam is a group of conservationists and candidates for the Monterey Peninsula Water Board who are opposed to building a new dam in Carmel Valley at San Clemente. For information, write to CABAND, P.O. Box 223785, Carmel, CA 93922.

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Five Local Leaders Appointed To Draft Village Master Plan

Planning the future quality of life in Carmel Valley Village is now in the hands of five, well-known Village residents. Lou Allaire, Peter Coakley, Randy Randazzo, Debbie Saxton, and Roger Williams have been appointed to the Carmel Valley Village Master Plan Planning Advisory Committee.

(For brevity, the Sun will, in the future, refer to the CVVMPAC as the Village Plan Committee!)

The new committee's task is to develop a mini master plan for the Village, including policies regarding zoning, service centers, development of parks, roads, architectural design, outdoor lighting, and septic system standards.

As described by Marit Evans, the 5th District Planning Commissioner who made the appointments, the committee

will "develop policies dealing with all the nitty gritty things that are needed to make life in the Village what the citizens want it to be."

Formation of this committee was specified in the recently approved Carmel Valley Master Plan. The committee's mandate is to complete its planning task in six months, then disband once the plan is adopted by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors. Monitoring subsequent compliance with policies in the plan will be the function of the Upper Carmel Valley Advisory Committee and the Planning Commission.

All Village Plan Committee meetings will be open to the public. Information on the time and place of the first meeting was not available at press time.

Park District Calls Public Meeting To Consider Marquard Property Offer

The Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District will hold a special meeting on Monday, July 27, at the Community Center, 7 p.m. to discuss a proposal submitted to them by Michael Marquard, representing Landing at Lahaina, to purchase property adjacent to the Community Center and Park. Marquard's offer will be revealed at the meeting.

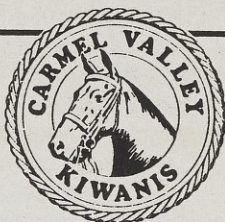
The property has been the focus of controversy ever since it was revealed that Landing at Lahaina had purchased the property even though the Recreation and Park District had wanted the property for park expansion.

Horace "Randy" Randazzo, president of the Recreation and Park District, declined to comment prior to the meeting on Marquard's offer, nor would he reveal whether or not the offer covered all of the property or only a portion thereof.

"The terms and conditions of Michael Marquard's proposal will be made public at the July 27 meeting," Randazzo said. "At the conclusion of the meeting, a vote of those present will be taken, and the Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District Board will pursue the majority decision."

Kiwanis Club Annual Horse Show

The Kiwanis Club of Carmel Valley is sponsoring its 18th annual summer Horse Show on Sunday, July 26th, at the Carmel Valley Trail and Saddle Club. Everyone is invited and spectators are admitted free.



ANNUAL SUMMER HORSE SHOW

There will be continuous activity between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. when Monterey County's best English and Western horses and their riders will compete. Jumps, exhibits, and competitive action is the order of the day.

The show is officially sanctioned by the

California Horseman's Association.

The Kiwanis Club believes the public should not miss seeing the beauty of the area and the elegance of the show. The event is community operated and a fun day for all the family. Excellent food and beverage bar available. Club President Dr. Irv Hartford and vice-president and show manager, John Hannon promised a good time for everyone who attends. For further information, please call Otto Heubner 659-2918.

Library Party For Summer Readers

The Monterey County Library announces that its end of summer reading program party at the Carmel Valley Library will take place on Friday, July 31, at 11 a.m.

For more information, call the CV Library at 659-2377

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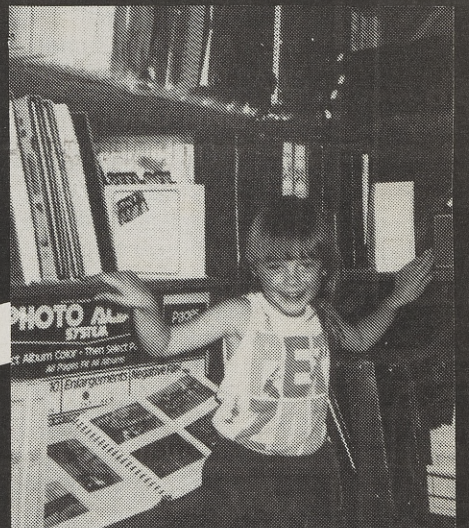
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Three Cypress Swimmers Place In National Competition

Cypress Swim Club members Heather Pease, Carmel Valley, and Desiree Castro and Julie Korper, both Carmel, placed in the 11-12 year age group international competition in synchronized swimming at the U.S. Synchro Swimming meet at the Louisiana State University Swimming facility in Baton Rouge, June 19-21.

At Baton Rouge, the three young swimmers were in competition with 196 other youngsters in the same age group. Heather, who is the daughter of Sarah and Doug Pease, placed third in the solo competition, and with Desiree, placed second in the duet competition. As a trio, the three young women took third place.

Their respective wins qualify all three to attend a

national training camp staffed by Olympic Coaches scheduled for the spring of 1988, possibly in Tempe, Arizona.

Last year, Heather attended the camp conducted by Candy Costa-Burke and Tracy Ruiz, synchronized swimming gold

medalists in the 1984 Olympics. The two Olympians serve as role models for the three aspiring champions.

The Cypress Swim team is coached by Donn Squire and Del Neel who have



Synchronized Swimmers (l to r) Desiree Castro, Julie Korper and Heather Pease

worked with the team for over 20 years.

The next local event for Heather, Desiree, and Julie is the Junior Olympic qualifications meet in February 1988 at the Seaside Swim Center.

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CV Artisans Will Exhibit At CVPOA Annual Picnic

Carmel Valley residents who are artists and craftspersons are invited to exhibit examples of their work at the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association Annual picnic on Saturday, September 19, at Robles del Rio Lodge.

Because of the limited space, each exhibitor will be provided with one half of an 8 foot by 36 inch table. (Bring your own folding chairs, please.) Painting exhibitors must provide easels, if desired. Ground space to be occupied must not exceed 48 inches by 36 inches. Exhibitors should be aware that the luncheon meeting will be outside, subject to wind and variable weather conditions. Direct sales of

works is prohibited, but discreet signs and business cards are acceptable.

The luncheon begins at 1 p.m.; set up time for the exhibit is between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The luncheon is available to exhibitors for \$6.00 per person.

The CVPOA Art Committee reserves the right to accept or reject exhibits in order to provide a variety of works representative of Carmel Valley. Additionally, if more applications are received than can be accommodated, a lottery drawing will be held to identify participants.

An application form is printed in the *Sun*, next to this article.

Students Attend Jazz Music Camp

Local music students are attending Summer Music Monterey Jazz Music Camp on the campus of the Robert Louis Stevenson School in Pebble Beach. The Carmel High School students in attendance are: drummer Mike Shannon, 14; Clarinetist Elizabeth Brooks, 13; clarinetist Chris Corneleissen, 13; and trombonist Forrest Melton, 13.

Carmel Middle School students attending the Jazz Camp are pianist Matt Sagan, 12; trumpeter Alexander Stott, 12; and drummer Craig Underwood, 14.

Summer Music Monterey, in affiliation with the Monterey Jazz Festival, Carmel Bach Festival, Robert Louis Stevenson School, Lyceum of the Monterey Peninsula and the Youth Orchestra of Monterey County, sponsors a three week Jazz Music Camp and a three week Classical Music Camp. The Jazz Camp provides intense Jazz studies under the direction of noted Jazz artist/educators.

CVCYC Elects New Officers

At its monthly meeting on July 1st held at the Community Center, the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center elected new officers to serve the 1987-88 Board of Directors and also welcomed new Board members.

New officers are May Kitagawa, President; Mel Pritchard, President Elect; Bob Heald, Vice President of Operations; Diane Scholl, Vice President of Programs; Jim Corso, Vice President of Resources; Alec Duarte, Treasurer, and Holly Decker, Secretary. Other Directors are Peggy Arnold, Lori Ducoing, Tony Glanville, Rose Higgs, Barbara Holine, Chris Miller, and Mel Thau. Scholl, Duarte, Decker, Arnold, and Holine are new members to the Board.

The Youth Center offers facilities for special services needed by the Carmel Valley Community. Activities include swimming, child care, art classes, and playground and park areas.

The 2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off is presently being planned for September 19. For information, please call 659-3983.

CVPOA Picnic, September 19, 1987

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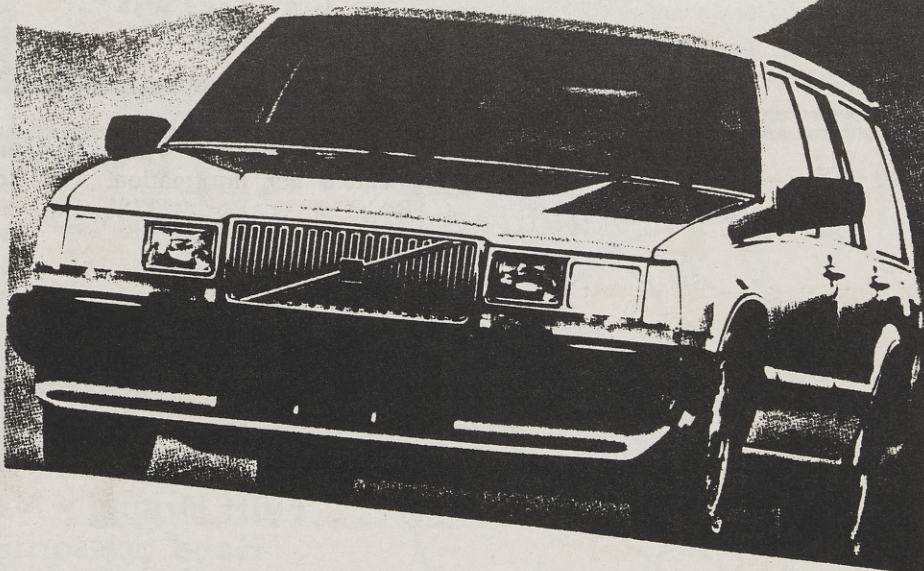
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THEFTS

RIO RD CHEVRON. Employee reports gas skip - White Chevy '86 Corvette with California license. Stolen vehicle out of San Diego. 7/1/87.

CARMEL VALLEY RANCH. Resident reports house entered. VCR and Camcorder taken. No value listed. 7/1/87.

COLT LANE. Resident reports home entered and 25 caliber pistol taken. No value listed. 7/1/87.

RIO RD. Monterey man reports vehicle burglary; chased subjects on foot through two Rio Road addresses. Tackled one suspect, but released him when another suspect produced a handgun and ordered him to. Suspects are five white male juveniles in a white or light blue mid-70s sedan. 7/5/87.

VIA LA NARANGA. Resident reports her home burglarized. Television, disc player, telescope, tripod, jewelry and other items taken. No value listed. 7/6/87.

CARMEL VALLEY RD. Resident reports theft of coffee service set from her house sometime during the last year. No value listed. 7/8/87.

DE TRAVERSA. Resident reports theft of American flag during the night 7/8/87.

THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT

CARMEL VALLEY RANCH. Resident report hearing someone walking in his back yard. 7/1/87.

JEANETTE RD. Resident reports hearing footsteps in upper level of her house. House secure. No one found. 7/2/87.

EL PORTERO. Resident reports that someone entered his home and barricaded his dog against an interior wall. Nothing else disturbed (except the dog, of course) or missing. 7/4/87.

LOS TULARES. Federal Express called to report woman possibly missing. Woman found at home. 7/8/87.

EL CAMINITO. Resident returned home after several hours to find a door open. 7/8/87.

VANDALISM

UPPER CIRCLE. Resident reports damage to front gate of home and attempted entry. 7/2/87.

ONE (OR MORE) TOO MANY

MID VALLEY CINEMA. Transient arrested for being drunk. (Celebrating Independence Day?) 7/4/87.

THE YOUNGER GENERATION

JENSEN CAMP. Woman reports that her son beat her up and broke windows on her trailer. She also reported he is growing marijuana. 7/6/87.

ON LOVING THY NEIGHBOR

ANDRE'S, THE BARNYARD. Waiter reports being injured by another employee. 7/1/87.

HIDDEN VALLEY RD. Resident reports his dog a victim of drowning; suspects foul play. Unfounded. 7/2/87.

CARMEL RANCHO BLVD. Southbank Rd. resident reports being struck in the face near the Albertson store. 7/2/87.

CV VILLAGE. Anonymous caller reports loud music coming from the Summerhouse Restaurant. 7/2/87.

LA RANCHERIA. Resident reports observing people removing appliances from house where owners were away. Gone on arrival. Checked and found secure. 7/6/98.

ALL AROUND THE TOWN. Carmel woman reports being a victim of battery by her ex-boyfriend, a transient. Boyfriend's van parked at her house on Outlook. Incident happened at Fox Hill, but may continue once he reaches Outlook. An arrest warrant will be issued. Subject last seen on foot on Carmel Valley Rd. 7/7/87.

CLUB DR., CV RANCH. Two men involved in a real estate disagreement. As a result, one of them received a knife wound in his hand. 7/7/87.

CARMEL VALLEY RD. Resident reports someone draped over his mailbox (Tastefully, we presume). 7/8/87.

UPPER CIRCLE. Resident reports loud music coming from neighbor's house. Subject contacted and will turn the music down. 7/8/87.

BAD CHECKS

GRAPEVINE LIQUORS. Clerk reports "account closed" check from woman. 7/6/87.

SAFEWAY, MID VALLEY. Two "account closed" checks from same woman reported. 7/7/87.

SHOPLIFTING

SAFEWAY, THE CROSSROADS. Security officer reports a juvenile female in custody for shoplifting. 7/4/87.

Book Review

Moments

By Illia Thompson
Blackthorne Press 1987. \$6.00

Carmel Valley's own Illia Thompson has compiled a number of her short writings into a book that captures the essence of every day living.

Moments is easy to read - 85 pages of heartwarming vignettes from the human experience. Ms. Thompson chapter titles provide little clues to the subject matter of each vignette: Small Miracles, Shopping, Pets, Sunday, A Letter, Mother's Day, Little One, The Coat. All are interesting, warm, teaching, caring, and profoundly human.

In "The Teachable Moment," for example, the reader is the invisible viewer when the author takes her young son to the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art where he learns to understand art through the Navajo weaving exhibit there.

The reader joins the author in learning the "comfort in continuity" in the chapter entitled "Traditions," and is with her again as she explores memories of the holocaust in "Breaking the Silence."

Because this reviewer was present at the event remembered in "The Dinner Party,"

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it was particularly revealing and touching to understand why the author came to this Women's History event dressed as Ann Frank. Hear her. The powerful simplicity of Ann Frank's writings drew me to her. Yes, this young woman would accompany me this evening. "Had she survived, what would she be like? I scanned my closet, took out a black suit and blouse and a large white silk shawl. I put on my silver Jewish Star. An old notebook became 'Kitty,' the diary. The party was beginning. I was ready."

Illia Thompson was an inspiring Ann Frank that night. Her short talk as she introduced herself as the young diarist touched us all. It is somehow reassuring to know why Ann Frank grew to womanhood, if only briefly, through Illia Thompson that night. She is an effective teller of small tales that touch the heart and remind us gently how much more we are alike than we are different.

The author is a graduate of Antioch College, Ohio, and presently teaches creative writing at Monterey Peninsula College. If some of her chapters are familiar to the reader, it is because they were printed as "Thoughts" in *The Carmel Valley Sun*.

Born in Portugal, Illia emigrated with her family to New York just before World War II. She lives with her husband and young son in Carmel Valley near her two grown children.

By Grace Darcy

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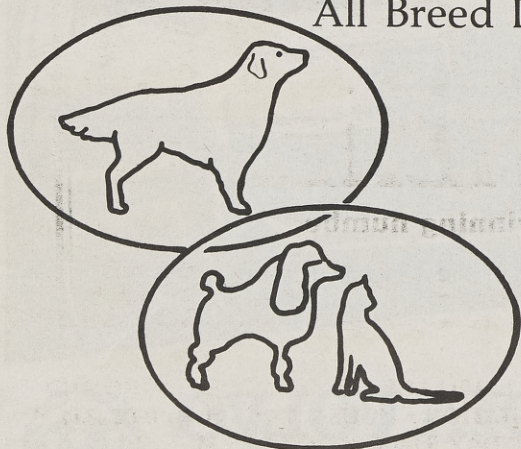


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Recreation and Park District Reports Operating Experience

In the interests of keeping the public aware of its financial health, Chuck McKay, Secretary of the Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District, sent a financial statement to the *Sun* covering the District's "First 21 Months Operating Experience." The statement is printed as part of this report.

The statement covers the period July 1, 1985 through June 30, 1987. McKay said that the District's total income for this period, \$133,225.80, came from only three sources. The interest (\$3,865.82) is on funds in the District's account held at the County, "essentially an interest bearing checking account," McKay explained.

The benefit assessment of \$88,359.78 is from the unit fee of \$24 per house - and this figure varies for other properties - that District taxpayers find on their property tax bills. This amount was voted at the time of the District election in August, 1985.

According to McKay, the special augmentation funds are "Special District Augmentation Funds, an amount distributed through the Board of Supervisors to Fire and other Special Districts annually."

"For the 1985-86 fiscal year," McKay said, "our District was given \$10,000 for 'start up' expenses. For 1986-87, we were allotted \$29,000, and for the upcoming year, 1987-88, we have been tentatively allocated \$25,000." This allocation was reported in the July 8, 1987 issue of the Carmel Valley *Sun*.

The Expenditures portion of the District's statement shows where the money was spent. "We have expended funds in support of three organizations other than ourselves," McKay said. "We spent \$45,973.03 for the Carmel Valley Youth Center, \$11,099.42 for equipment, and \$20,697.11 for swimming pool operations, maintenance, and repairs."

The \$45,973.03 figure for the Youth Center includes \$13,526.50 for insurance and \$650 for tree removal, and \$6,492.50 of the \$11,099.42 spent for equipment was for a tractor that also is used for maintenance of the Little League field.

"The Little League also received \$3,393.97 for a pitching machine, T-ball

equipment, and a scoreboard," McKay said. "The Carmel Valley Parents' Association received \$1,500 to assist them with their program."

"The usual way these expenditures occur is for the sponsor agency to submit a request to the District board for the amount, along with other support and justifying information," McKay said. "If we agree that the amount is reasonable and supports a requirement benefiting the general public, we usually will approve."

McKay noted that the District has been supporting requests for specific amounts for specific projects/equipment. "Requests for operating revenues are a little vague and cause the most difficulty in justification," he said.

"We are proud of the fact that the bureaucracy has cost us only \$6,336.28 of which \$2,688.08 was for the direct expenses generated by the election itself," McKay said.

The District has spent only \$3,700 administratively for doing business. "It is obvious that the physical efforts associated with these fiscal activities have been a lot of volunteer work on behalf of all the organizations," McKay said. "We work with a lot of conscientious people doing a lot of work for everyone in the Valley."

The District's total expenditures for the past 21 months total \$57,203.28, leaving \$74,022.32 cash on hand. "It would appear that we're sitting on money that could be used," McKay said, "but this is explainable. Of the roughly \$74,000, \$26,797.67 is committed or obligated against programs/requests made for assistance that have not been completed nor have bills been received for payment. These funds all are for CVCYC programs and projects, most of which will be completed in the next couple of months."

Additionally, the District has set aside \$10,000 for drilling a well on the park property, although no project documentation has been developed. The District also has set aside \$25,000 for the purchase of the Landing at Lahaina property, subject to successful negotiations with Michael Marquard. As of June 30, 1987, therefore, the District has "available" funds of \$12,224.65.

McKay said the District will be receiving, over the course of the new fiscal year, about \$47,000 in benefit assessment funds, about \$25,000 in augmentation funds, and some interest on the unexpended fund balance.

"As a Board, we are very committed to spending money judiciously, fairly, and well within the limits and constraints put on anyone who handles public funds," McKay said.

"We must properly account for funds, projects must be available to everyone, there can be no discrimination, etc.," he said. "We honestly believe that everything to date clearly meets these basic criteria."

CV Recreation And Park District Seeks Applicants

Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District president Horace "Randy" Randazzo announced that there will be two vacancies on the District Board as of December, 1987.

Filing dates for those interested are July 15 to August 7, 1987. Persons residing within the Carmel Valley Fire Protection District are eligible.

Interested parties are asked to call Mr. Randazzo at 659-2472 for information.

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The Spurs also have initiated a new "upgrade policy." Fans with 10 games for

\$10 bonus books can upgrade their general admission seats to reserved seats for just \$1.50 more per ticket. This policy, too, is in effect only on the day of the game.

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Special Augmentation	39,000.00		
Interest	3,865.82		
TOTAL INCOME			131,225.60
EXPENDITURES			
CVR&PD			
Business Service	207.39		
Executive Secretary	490.02		
Administration			
Election	2,688.08		
Cabinet	682.14		
Insurance	845.15		
Audit	750.00		
Total	4,965.37		
Miscellaneous	673.50		
Total			6,336.28
CVCYC			
Insurance	13,526.50		
Trees	650.00		
Equipment			
Tractor	6,492.50		
Booths	1,464.02		
Printer	498.20		
Copier	2,644.70		
Total	11,099.42		
Pool			
Equipment	7,204.96		
Repairs	7,188.63		
Operations	6,093.00		
Supplies	210.52		
Total	20,697.11		
Total			45,973.03
LITTLE LEAGUE			
Pitching Machine	1,366.00		
T-Ball Equipment	1,235.40		
Scoreboard	792.57		
Total			3,393.97
CV PARENT'S ASSOCIATION			
Program Assistance	1,500.00		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			57,203.28
CASH ON ACCOUNT			74,022.32 (1)
			131,225.60

NOTES: (1) Of the 74,022.32 balance, 26,797.67 is obligated against approved programs; 10,000 is reserved for installation of a well; 25,000 is set aside for property acquisition; carry over balance actually 12,224.65.

As of June 30, 1987

PEOPLE ARE READING

News from the Carmel Valley Library

FICTION

*Haunted Mesa**...Louis L'Amour
Lament For A Silver-Eyed Woman...Mary Ann T. Smith
The Legacy Of Heorot...Larry Niven
First Born...Doris Mortman
Polo Solo: A Nick Polo Mystery...Jerry Kennealy
Murder Of A Moderate Man...John Howley
The Rising Of The Moon...William Martin
Too Close To The Edge...Susan Dunlap
Five Hundred Scorpions...Shelby Hearon
Staring At The Sun...Julian Barnes
*Weep No More My Lady**...Mary Higgins Clark
Grand Opening...Jon Hassler

NON-FICTION

Berlin Diaries 1940-1945...Marie Vassiltchikov
*The Different Drum**...M. Scott Peck
Sands Of Sorrow...Milton Viorst

Alex Katz...Ann Beattie
Southern Living - Annual Recipes, 1986
Williams Sonoma Cookbook...Chuck Williams
In Search Of The Big Bang: Quantum Physics & Cosmology...John R. Griffin
Applying Expert Systems in Business...Dimitris N. Chroafas
How To Get Your Child A Private School Education In A Public School...Marty Nemko
Fierce Attachments: A Memoir...Vivian Gornick
Words For The Wild: The Sierra Club Trailside Reader...Ann Ronald
Racing Through Paradise: A Pacific Passage...William F. Buckley
A Death In November...Ellen J. Hammer
Monticello, A Family Story...Elizabeth Langhorne

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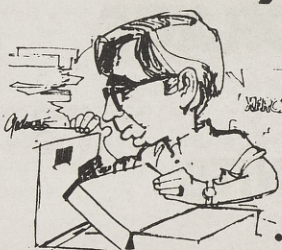
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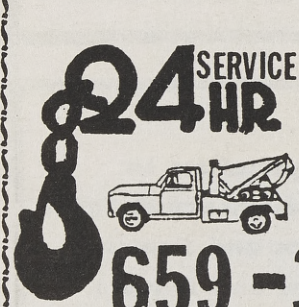
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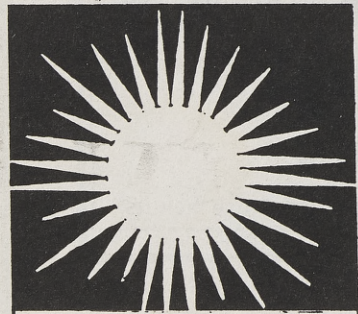
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Valley People

By Grace Darcy

We've been talking to the nicest people lately...for instance, VERA STOKES, who called to share a remembrance of July 4, 1908, when she saw the USS Missouri sail into Monterey Bay as part of the Great White Fleet. "I was 13 years old at the time," VERA remembered. "My father owned the Cafe Ernest on Alvarado Street, and I still remember what a beautiful sight it was when the Great White Fleet sailed into the Bay."

VERA recalled that her father's birthday was July 4, and "he was a real Yankee Doodle Dandy. He was so proud that he was born on our country's birthday." VERA was disappointed that she couldn't get into town to see the USS Missouri when it was in the Bay a week or so ago, but her memories of that wonderful "other time" sustain her. Thank you, VERA STOKES, for sharing a precious memory with the Sun's readers.

Lots of Valley people do nice things that we never hear about. We learned just a few days ago that MOUI PFEIFFER, who owns China Silk Nails in the Village, went to a local residential care home last Easter where she manicured and enameled the nails of the women residents who were, of course, delighted by MOUI's generosity. PEARL WILLIAMS, who owns Williams Residential Care Home on Via Petra shared the story of MOUI's largesse with us, and we're so glad she did.

Special kudos and thanks go to DONN SQUIRE and DEL NEEL who, for the past 20 years, have volunteered their time to the Cypress Swim team. Their unselfish efforts have made expert swimmers out of many local youngsters. DONN, is a silver medal winner in the International Synchronized Swimming Masters compe-

tion, and both he and DEL are internationally qualified synchronized swimming competition judges...Incidentally, the Cypress Swim Club needs YOUR support. In addition to hours of practice, the young swimmers do a lot to earn their own expenses, but some intense community support would be very helpful...and welcome!

One story leads to another, and so by happy coincidence we learned that Blue Sky Lodge owner LOU GARDNER, long considered the unofficial mayor of Carmel Valley, turned over the Blue Sky pool to the Cypress Swim team when their regular pool was unavailable. Said our informant of LOU, "That was the most generous thing I can think of."

BITS and PIECES. It's nice to see BOBBY DIAZ back at the Plaza Linda Restaurant...BOBBY attends college in San Diego, but is home for the summer and helping his parents, JOSSE and DEAN DIAZ, with the family restaurant...Drop buy and say "hi" to BOBBY and enjoy some superb Mexican food.

RUTH and LEE HIZER of Texas were looking up and down the California coast for that one special place where they would retire. When they arrived here, their car broke down in the Carmel Valley Road. Several locals stopped to offer assistance, and RUTH and LEE decided that, if people here were so concerned about strangers, Carmel Valley had to be a great place to live. You guessed it - RUTH and LEE now live, happily, we hope, in The Village. It's nice to know that Carmel Valley people care.



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Vincent has been painting since he was a child of ten. After years of formal study with the Maitland Art Center and a variety of professional painters and teachers (Alfred Morang, Lois Bartlett Tracy,

Painting primarily in oils, Vincent currently divides his time between painting southwest landscapes and westcoast seascape scenes.

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Beckett, starring Richard Burton, Peter O'Toole, and John Gielgud will be shown at Carmel Valley Library on Friday evening, August 7, at 7:30 p.m. sharp. Running time for this film classic is 149 minutes. Admission for adults is \$2.50; children, \$1. For information call the Library at 659-2377.

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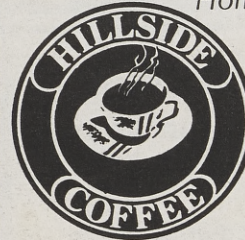
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Thus Spake Yavor

By Yavor Bachev

Thus spake Yavor on the Iran-Contra fiasco:

The president "...doesn't remember..."; perhaps that's normal for a man of his age.

William Casey dies conveniently before achieving his dream: the establishment of an "independent nation" called C.I.A. Landia to be populated mainly by K.G.B. agents.

Poindexter resigns dexterously and says "I have to make a point," but the point is yet to be made.

Oliver North is fired and on his way to becoming a hero. His only heroic acts consist of facing congressional bureaucrats and resisting the charms of his secretary.

For doing this, he achieves such popularity that, if he ran for mayor of Carmel, he would undoubtedly unseat Clint Eastwood, or...he could also run for congress after lying to it.

Wouldn't it be more appropriate to hold the Iran-Contra hearings in a circus tent?

One of President Reagan's preferred expressions is "...you ain't seen nothin' yet!"



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Video Review

Courtesy of Valley Video

Sometimes a break in the routine of watching movie videos is an uplifting change of pace. The other day, we picked up Barbra Streisand's video *One Voice*, and couldn't be happier that we did. Streisand, who gave the concert in her own garden for a select audience that paid \$5000 each to attend, sang all of the classic Streisand favorites... "Evergreen," "The Way We Were," "Over the Rainbow," and many, many more. She ended the concert with her own special rendition of "America the Beautiful," and after singing the usual first verse and a second verse this viewer had never heard before, invited her audience to sing a reprise of the first verse along with her. They did...stirring!

Streisand appeared in a stunning white two-piece gown, her hair loosely falling to her shoulders, her green eyes expressive, her voice magnificent. She held her audience - including U.S. Senator Alan Cranston and Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley as well as many celebrities - in the palm of her hand. Her warmth and graciousness reached out...and was returned.

Proceeds from the concert benefited the Barbra Streisand Foundation which supports organizations engaged in anti-nuclear activities. If Streisand is your cup of tea...don't walk, RUN to get this video.

Another interesting non-movie video, and one that will appeal to those who, in the past, visited this famous San Francisco establishment, is called *The Hungry I Reunion*. This video features, for the most part, Hungry I impresario Enrico Banducci who reminisces about times past through the eyes of an unknown camera

person. We see appearances by Hungry I regulars of the past including Phyllis Diller, Jonathan Winters, The Limelights, The Kingston Trio, Mort Sahl, Stan Wilson, Maya Angelou, Jackie Brennan, Lennie Bruce (unfortunately but, thankfully, briefly) and Irwin Corey.

This is an interesting video about a past famous San Francisco landmark. It's not great entertainment, but its worth a look...and a listen.

Steven Spielberg's *The Color Purple* is now available in video, and if you did not see the movie or saw it so long ago that you've forgotten it, it's time to see it again. You don't want to miss Whoopie Goldberg's Academy Award caliber performance as Celie in this screen adaptation of Alice Walker's great novel.

There are some movie videos that haven't made any headlines but are really quite good. *Belizaire the Cajun* is a touching film about the lives and treatment of Cajun people in the deep south. A surprisingly interesting picture.

Another enjoyable "sleeper" is *Caravans* based on the James Michener novel. Anthony Quinn, Michael Sarazin, and Jennifer O'Neill star in this picture filmed on location in Afghanistan. The awesome vastness of the area, the struggle to survive, and the insistence of one woman that she alone has the right to choose how and where to live her life make interesting viewing as do the performances of the principals.

Healthy Aging Film To Be Shown At Crossroads

"Healthy Aging," the newest film in the *Healthscope* series produced by the American College of Physicians, will be shown free of charge at the Crossroads

Community Room, on Thursday, July 30, at 7:30 p.m.

Carmel Valley physician, Abraham Kryger, a specialist in Preventive Medicine, will host a question and answer period following the film.

The 25 minute film shows that old age does not mean the end of independence and productivity. Internist/geriatrician James W. Davis Jr., MD, is shown working with his older patients and depicts the way sensible self-care improves the quality of life. The film demonstrates the value of a healthy life-style, reveals the physician's key role in marshaling the resources of the health care system, and reminds the audience that having a personal physician is the best source of information about one's health. For further information, please call 624-4663.

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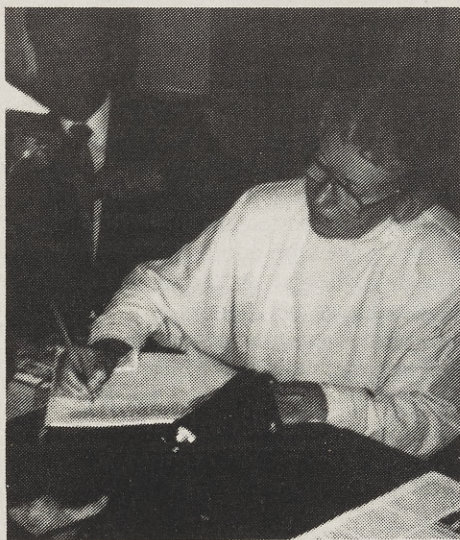
American and Soviet Citizens Demand Establishment of True Peace

By Grace Darcy

On February 3, 1945, a few months before the end of World War II, the leaders of the United States, Great Britain, and the Soviet Union met at Yalta in the Crimea, USSR, to discuss policies and plans for the occupation of Germany after peace was established. President Franklin Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, and Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin met at Livadia, an estate that once belonged to the Russian czars.

This past May, another important meeting took place at Livadia: 24 Californians and 24 Crimeans met there to discuss the pressing problems that exist between their respective countries and make recommendations for peaceful solutions to these problems.

Representing Carmel Valley were Rosemary Matson, May Waldroup, Christine Mack, and Faye Braun. Matson is the Co-Director of Continuing the Peace Dialogue, an outreach program for world peace.



May Waldroup, Carmel Valley, signs Peace Statement at Livadia, USSR.

The result of this latest meeting at Livadia was a profoundly touching statement that has been delivered to both Secretary General Gorbachev and President Reagan. A long document, it commences with the proposition that "there is no more urgent, noble, and humane task than to provide for the survival of humankind in a world devoid of nuclear weapons."

The peace document then calls upon the people of the world, but particularly upon Gorbachev and Reagan, to end all nuclear explosions; to strictly observe existing arms control agreements (SALT II, ABM) and prohibit using or threatening to use force as per the United Nations Charter; to prevent deployment/development of space-based weapons; to seek cooperation between the two superpowers in the spirit of Apollo-Soyuz; to establish a nuclear-free Europe with a parity in conventional arms at the lowest level possible; for all states to renounce the first use of nuclear weapons; to end the arms race and divert resources toward global economic justice; to establish a true peace with respect for international law and the rights of all nations, and to develop friendship and cooperation between all peoples and all nations.

What motivates these people of good will? Particularly, what motivates Californians to spend time and money to travel from California to the Soviet Union and return? True, the group represented and presented New Forum programs in three major Soviet cities, Yalta, Moscow, and Kiev, but there are deeper dimensions and loftier purposes to the trip than those associated with a goodwill tour.

"We wanted to see for ourselves what makes the USSR tick," May Waldroup told the *Sun*. "There can be a peace meeting at higher levels only if the Soviets know we are working on it. They say there's no response, but they and all thinking peoples know that nuclear war is unthinkable."

Waldroup and Rosemary Matson, who led the group, recall that, during World War II, 20 million Russians were killed and, later, another 17 million purged during Stalin's despotic regime. "How many countries have a total population of 37 million much less losing that many people?" Waldroup asked. "Could we, with a population of 230 million, afford to lose 1/5 of our people?"

This tragic loss of a significant portion of its population explains more eloquently than anything else the reason for the Sovi-

ets' much publicized "paranoia."

Rosemary Matson and May Waldroup took your reporter on a mini tour of the Soviet Union as perceived through their eyes and their experiences. Here, in precis, is what they observed, what they felt.

Livadia

What better place to present a peace appeal than at the historic site of the Yalta Conference; too, Yalta is an important and beautiful city. A year ago, when this latest trip was being planned, Rosemary Matson contacted a man she called Leonid, an executive in the Crimea Friendship Society, with the proposal that the Russians and Americans meet at Livadia.

"We wanted to meet in Livadia palace because of its history," May Waldroup said, "but we weren't sure it could be done. Imagine asking our government if we might meet in, say, Dumbarton Oaks or some other national treasure."

Nevertheless, Leonid, who doesn't speak English, and Rosemary, who doesn't speak Russian, made arrangements through an interpreter to meet in Livadia.

Their trip was long but uneventful. After the plane landed in Simferopol, Crimea, there was a 90 minute bus ride to Yalta. Then, after a rest, Livadia.

"It was incredible to be in the same room where Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin met," Matson remembers. "I actually thought I was standing behind FDR's chair!"

By the time the Californians arrived at Yalta, the Soviets already had prepared a draft document. "We stood around the table while they read it both in Russian and English," Matson remembered.

That night, the two contingents discussed the statement in depth. At the House of Friendship the next day, it was put into written English, "and we made it ours," Matson said. "We signed it together."

"It was an emotional moment," Waldroup said.

The event was lavishly covered by the Soviet press and was on television. "We got wonderful news coverage all over the USSR....including Tass and Izvestia," Matson said.

The Soviet People

"The Russian people are in many ways like us, but in other ways they are very different," said Rosemary Matson. "They have a different history, a different culture, and a different political system."

"They live by a different set of rules," Waldroup said.

"Yet, they *are* like us," Matson said. "You can walk down a street in Moscow and think you are here."

There are notable differences, however. "They are much more poorly dressed than we are," Waldroup said.

"Their meat and potato diet and lack of consumer goods give rise to their rather squarish shapes," Matson added.

Both women are impressed with the number of parks in the Soviet Union. "So many children use the parks; mothers and grandmothers push their children and grandchildren in carriages," said Waldroup. "We don't see this here too often anymore."

Because so few Soviet citizens have television sets, there are more family and group activities. "The Russians are very family oriented," Waldroup said. "They truly enjoy each other."

"There is lots of open space because the Soviets are very strong on the environment," Matson said. "They call their green belts 'antismog devices,' and they put their many parks to good use."

Both women agreed that the USSR is a "very clean country." The Soviets show great care for their

surroundings; the streets and sidewalks are clean and neat. Neither woman could recall seeing graffiti or litter in the areas they visited.

There is another side of the Soviet Union, however, and Waldroup searched for the right words.

"I feel a sense of emotional sadness for the Soviet people," she said, "almost a sense of bereavement. There's a feeling of heaviness there. The scars of the 20th Century are evident and are horrendous."

First, there was the Revolution in 1917, then World War II, and finally, the Stalin era. We always knew they were undergoing terrible things, but now to see it - the scars, bullet holes, the lack of amenities. I wish we could give them something of everything we have."

Because of their history, the Russians give special attention and care to children and old people. Brides and grooms, after the wedding ceremony, go to a war memorial (there are many in the USSR) and dedicate their family life to the future."



Nelya Ramazanova, Editor of the English Edition of *Soviet Woman* magazine, discusses issues with Rosemary Matson, Carmel Valley, a frequent contributor.

"The Russians do many symbolic things to show that they are optimistic about the future," Waldroup said, noting that although the Soviets can be violent, they also can be very loving and caring, a dichotomy that seems to permeate the human condition.

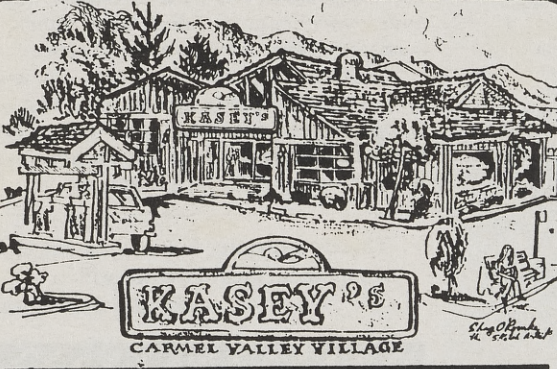
Libraries are a focal point for Soviet citizens. "The Russians are more familiar with the United States than we are with them," said Matson. "They are filled with curiosi-

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ty about America and are eager to learn American ways of doing things."

"They are more formal in the way they do things," Waldroup commented.

Matson agreed. "When we first saw them, they were filled with long speeches. We started to talk about sharing and more people to people contact. They now are doing this more often. During our last two or three visits, our meetings have been richer because we have more opportunity for one on one dialogue."

Matson said that although informality is increasing, "they still want to give us some of their formality. They love to show off and entertain us, which they do very well. They also have so many talented children."

Children

Russian children are encouraged in the arts. "All children get lots of art, culture, dance, music, sports, and museum visits," Matson said. "Exceptional talent is recognized, encouraged, and developed. All children are given the opportunity to develop the cultural side of themselves."

"The Russian children sing a little song that they call the Children's National Anthem," said Matson. "It goes like this:

Let there always be sunshine,
Let there always be blue skies,
Let there always be Mama,
Let there always be me."

Matson has committed this bright little song to memory, both in English and in Russian. "They put so much into their children because they revere them...they are the future," she said.

"Russian children go to Pioneer Camp in the summer in much the same way our children go to camp," said Matson, "but their Pioneer Camps are more a continuation of school."

Waldroup noted that Soviet children are not "let loose." Here, she said, children are let loose, often to do as they please.

"Our children are taught to be individuals, which can be self-centered," Matson said. "In Russia, there is a feeling of community, and the children are taught to take care of and respect one another. I think here, in the USA, we stress too much of 'what's best for me.'"

Waldroup recalls that she "did not see any young people running around causing mischief. Opportunities for some of the things we see here are not there yet, and I hope they never will be."

"Most Russian children are part of an extended family," Matson said. "There's a

housing shortage there, and extended families are a necessity. When both parents work, as is usual in the Soviet Union, grandparents care for the children."

Women

Day car, a major problem for American working women, is a fact of life in Russia. Soviet factories and businesses have day care facilities, and health care and education are free for every Soviet citizen. Are women, then, better off in the USSR?

"Yes and no," said Waldroup. "Women there are allowed into professions from which American women are still barred. There are more women doctors in the USSR than there are male doctors. Salaries for both sexes are more on a par with each other; certainly not equal, but better than here."

"The problem that afflicts women both here and there is that men are still dragging their feet on the home scene," Matson said. "Soviet women who work still have to take care of the home and children."

"And the shopping," Waldroup said. "Shopping in the Soviet Union is very, very tedious."

There are a number of women's organizations in the USSR actively lobbying for legislation that will help women: longer pregnancy leave, not losing one's job because of pregnancy, and returning to that job at the same pay. "Child support is a recent benefit," said Matson. "According to the law, if a divorced husband tries to run out on child support, the state picks up the tab and goes after the husband."

"About one-third of the membership of the Supreme Soviet, a body roughly equal to our House of Representatives, are women. This helps to keep the focus on the special priorities of women and children," said Matson.

Unfortunately, there are no women (yet) in the Politbureau so that "women have no say in foreign policy, even though they are strong within the country."

Religion

The Constitution of the USSR guarantees religious freedom, and it also guarantees its citizens the right to be atheists. Nevertheless, according to Waldroup and Matson, religion is alive and well in the USSR.

"Next year, the USSR will celebrate the bringing of Christianity to Russia by Prince Vladimir," said Matson. "The World Council of Churches and other religious organizations are planning pilgrimages to celebrate this event."

Matson, who has visited Russia eleven times, reports that there has never been "any difficulty with any of our groups in attending synagogues, or the Baptist or

Russian Orthodox churches. These latter two are the major Christian denominations in the USSR."

"It is interesting to note that there are no liberal churches in the USSR," Waldroup said. "To the Russian, religion means 'old time religion.' When they talk about religion over there, we must understand that Russians perceive religion as denominational, not metaphysical or philosophical."

"It is a myth that the Soviets prohibit religious practice," added Matson, firmly.

Freedom of Movement

"It's often easier to get around there than here," said Matson. "This is another myth that needs to be put to rest. Transportation in cities is better in the USSR, and it is much safer there than here."

"We could take the Metro to Red Square at midnight," said Waldroup. "It's easy and fun to do...and safe! What you can't do is go to an airport and buy a ticket from one city to another without its being pre-arranged. They have no 'stand-by' at all."

"All cities on the Baltic have what used to be the czar's palaces. These buildings now are used for workers on vacation and they are filled with tourists and Soviets," said Matson. "The Russians want their guests to have the best places, and there are a number of tourist hotels there. These often are built by other countries; not necessarily iron curtain countries, but Scandinavian countries and Finland."

Gorbachev

The Russian people are divided in their opinion of their Secretary-General. "There is some bureaucratic resistance to his ideas," said Waldroup. "After all, he threatens the old-liners and they are fighting him. The young, thinking women and men are delighted with Gorbachev."

"In my opinion," Matson interjected, "Gorbachev is one of the great figures of our time. He is a visionary man bringing his country out of a dark age. I think that the American press has deliberately cast doubts about this man...the press and the ruling triumvirate in Washington, D.C."

"The Soviets admire Americans, but they are quite fearful of the current Administration," Matson added.

Glasnost

The American press has made much of Gorbachev's policy of Glasnost (opening); however, Matson and Waldroup encountered more Soviet interest in Perestroika, which means restructuring. "They've had meetings in Moscow about this," Waldroup said. "It concerns their economy and government, and is very important to them."

Editor's note:

Rosemary Matson and May Waldroup and the others who took the trip with them plan to share their experiences with other Californians. "The New Forum is planning a meeting later on," said Matson, "and we want to visit people and 'debunk the myths' that have sprung up around the USSR."

"We will continue the peace dialogue," Waldroup said. "It's the strongest way to have more contact with each other, to eventually bring about trust and peace."

The bottom line...in the Peace Document and in our hearts...must be "the development of friendship and cooperation between all peoples and all nations." Let us all continue the Peace Dialogue.

There's a divinity that shapes our ends,
Rough-hew them how we will.

—William Shakespeare

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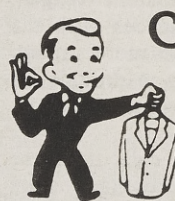
In an on-going effort to increase the number of pet adoptions as well as to assist landlords and tenants with pet information, the Monterey County SPCA is seeking landlords, rental agencies, and property management companies who will rent to persons owning domesticated animals.

With the cooperative effort of Jim Seagull of KWAV Radio, the SPCA will maintain an active list of such individuals and firms and will make the list available, free of charge, to potential tenants. "We're in the initial stages of the development of this program," states Jim Bennett, Manager, Community Relations and Fund Development.

"I've received positive feedback from a limited number of property owners and managers; however, in order for the program to be a success, I need to hear from the maximum number of those who will rent to pet owners. If I hear from a sufficient number of them, then the program will go," Bennett concluded.

Once a substantial list is compiled, the SPCA will offer the listing to anyone interested in renting property in Monterey County where an animal can live. "We're particularly interested in matching new pet owners (those who adopt an animal from us) with landlords. At the same time, we plan to educate pet owners as to their responsibilities regarding the rented property and the care of their pet(s)," Bennett said.

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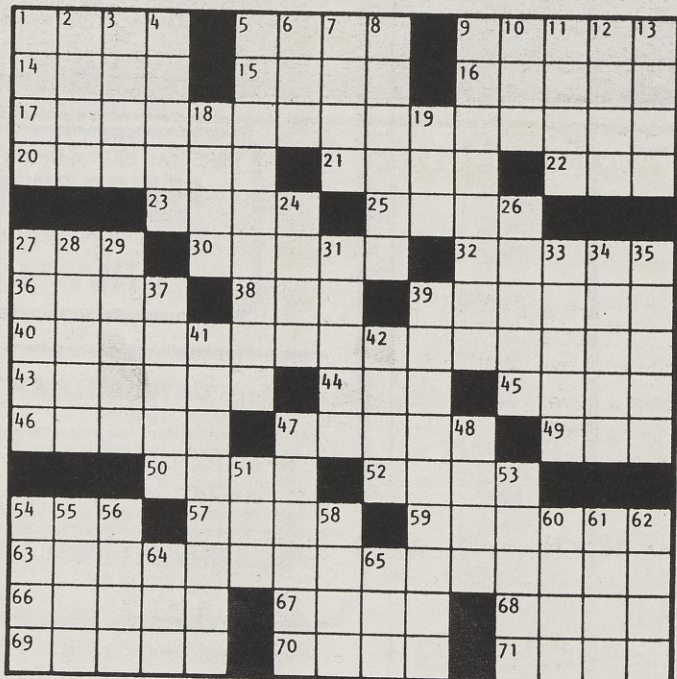
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WATER WATCH

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Search For An Endangered Bird

Today's column is about Carmel River birdlife; specifically, about the search for an endangered songbird and the two enthusiastic birders who were hired to conduct it.

Faithful readers may recall a previous article on the Least Bell's Vireo, a songbird that is a federally listed endangered species and one of California's most endangered birds. It was once common in riparian (streamside) ecosystems throughout much of California, but now is reduced to perhaps 300 breeding pairs, mostly in Southern California. Reasons for its dramatic decline include habitat destruction and parasitism by Brown-headed Cowbirds.

As part of the San Clemente Project EIR/EIS, the Water Management District must determine whether any endangered species would be affected by the proposed new dam on the Carmel River. Because the Carmel River includes habitat that could support the Vireo, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) concluded that this bird was one endangered species that could be impacted by the dam. We were surprised by this determination as no published account shows that the Vireo ever frequented the river, even in historic times.

Enthusiastic Birders

If an endangered species is listed for a project, the USFWS requires that a "Biological Assessment" be prepared. This document determines whether the species inhabits the project area and evaluates the potential impacts of the project on individuals or populations. Thus, the dynamic duo of Don and Robin Roberson was hired to track down the bird. We figured that, if the elusive Vireo existed on the Carmel River, Don and Robin would find it.

Don is a well-known California birder who was recently featured in a *Time* magazine article on birding and birding "addicts." He qualifies as an addict because, according to *Time*, he dropped his law practice at the age of 29 to follow the birds, but has since "relapsed" and returned to work. He wrote the book (literally) on Monterey birds and is also an expert on the Least Bell's Vireo. Indeed, it was Don who rediscovered nesting Vireos on the Salinas River near Bradley a few years ago.

Vireos winter in Mexico and return to California to breed in the Spring. Based on known nesting patterns, the Robersons concluded that May was the best time to search for the bird in Monterey. Vireos are not easily spotted as they prefer dense vegetation. Luckily, they are "extremely vociferous" throughout much of the breeding season, and the males sing a loud, persistent song that facilitates easy identification.

Armed with binoculars, cameras, habitat maps, notebooks, and their extensive

birding knowledge, Don and Robin slowly walked the 18.5 mile length of the Carmel River from San Clemente Dam to the Lagoon. Additionally they also surveyed a mile up San Clemente Creek and over two miles upstream of the dam to assess the inundation area. Their search took them through chest-high pools, heavy underbrush dominated by poison oak or nettles, and steep canyons infested with woodticks. In all, 62 miles were traversed over a 16-day period for a total of nearly 75 hours. All surveys were conducted between 6 a.m. and noon, the prime time for most bird songs.

A Bounty of Birds -- But No Vireos

These folks are thorough! In addition to searching for the Vireo (their only contractual obligation), they decided to keep a running tally of all birds seen or heard. They also mapped various types of plant communities along the way and documented whether or not birds were breeding. The result? A concise summary of 99 bird species identified along the Carmel River, where they are found, and a rough estimate of "birds per mile." They also confirmed nesting by four species previously unknown on the Carmel River and spotted three pairs of another species thought to be absent since 1960. What do you expect from a couple who are presently in Peru on yet another birding expedition?

And what about the Vireo? Not one was heard or seen, despite the presence of suitable habitat. This did not surprise our experts, given the lack of historical sightings and the abundance of parasitic cowbirds along the river. Don and Robin believe another factor - fog - could limit Vireo populations in our area. It turns out the Vireo's California range is completely outside the summer fog belt and it breeds in warm to hot climates. The low clouds and fog that often extend up the Valley in May/June could inhibit reproduction.

The Roberson's report shows that the Carmel River supports an abundance of birds. We've got herons and hawks, quails and rails, owls, woodpeckers, flycatchers and peewees, warblers and wrens, swallows and sparrows, blackbirds and bluebirds, and a lot more! I don't know what half of these birds look like, but it's nice to know they are out there! If you are interested in copies of this report, it's available from the Water Management District for \$2.50 to cover cost of copying, plus \$.90 postage (Total: \$3.40). A copy also has been made available to the Carmel Valley Library.

In a future column, I'll review how the riparian corridor, which supports so many birds and other animals, will fare with and without the New San Clemente Project. Don't miss it!

Park and Wildlife

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and Park Land initiative would permit the county to buy most of those properties that are likely to come on the market during the next few years.

The initiative process is an unusual way to place a park and wildlife bond on the ballot. This is normally done by the state legislature, and every park and wildlife bond act in the past 25 years has been approved by the voters.

The so called Gann limit on state government expenditures has caused capital investment programs to be funded by bonds rather than general revenues. The result is increased competition for bond funding, and the legislature has started assigning a lower priority to parks and wildlife. No land conservation bond act passed the legislature in 1985 or 1986, although several attempts were made.

The California Wildlife, Coastal and Park Land initiative combines the most important parts of four bond acts that the legislature recently considered and failed to pass: an urban open space bond act for \$500 million, coastal protection bond act for \$200 million, wildlife protection bond act for \$85 million, and a State Parks bond act for \$425 million.

The initiative is a grass roots campaign by conservation organizations and local civic and business groups who feel strongly that time is running out on opportunities to preserve critical natural and park lands, wildlife habitat, and key coastal areas. As yet, there is no announced opposition to the initiative.



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Valley Geology

Volcanism in Carmel Valley

By Robert Greenwood
Fifth in a Series

Robert Greenwood came to Carmel Valley in 1974 after teaching geology at the University of Houston and Rutgers University. He is still a registered geological consultant and teaches periodically at the Federal University of Brazil in Rio de Janeiro.

The most spectacular events in the geologic history of Carmel Valley were the volcanic eruptions which took place during the Miocene epoch, between deposition of the Chamisal sediments and those of the Monterey formation. That was more than 20 million years before there were any tourists around to enjoy the sight, but we can see the results along Schulte Road, and even better, at either end of Carmel Beach.

Local eruptions poured out the black lava known as basalt. They were relatively quiet, like much of the basaltic activity in Hawaii today, not like the violent explosive action of Mount St. Helens. Basaltic lavas frequently come out as hot magmatic liquid from small vents and fractures, so that we can't pinpoint the sources of the flows. There probably was no big central volcano here.

Within Carmel Valley, there remains only one mass of basalt. It is nearly 3/4 mile long, occupying the steep slopes on the south side of Schulte Road and extending into the campgrounds. Most of it is on private land, and concealed by poison oak and other brush, but there are a couple of good exposures on the road itself, a mile beyond the Schulte bridge.

There you will find fine-grained lava, black where fresh and reddish where weathered. Much of it breaks into thin flat slabs, a structure developed during flowage of the cooling lava. The layering is steeply inclined, but I don't know how much of that is original in the flow and how much is due to later deformation.

Having convinced you that volcanism is a part of peaceful Carmel Valley, I suggest we go to Carmel Beach for a better view of the lavas. At the north end of the beach, beyond some low sandstone bluffs below the Pebble Beach golf course, you can scramble for half a mile over two types of basaltic lava. One type is hard

and black with flow banding, the other pale greenish or reddish, a chaotic jumble of rock fragments in a softer matrix.

Look at the flow-banded rocks first. Many of them contain small elongate bodies of white mineral which parallel the flow lines. These are called amygdules, from the Greek word for almonds. They formed when gas bubbles in the lava stretched out as the lava flowed and cooled, and shortly thereafter, solutions deposited quartz in the holes. You may also find calcite or other minerals forming these amygdules. A lot of agates are formed in this way, though not around Carmel.

The fragmented layers, at first sight, may not look like lava. They are breccias, an Italian word which simply means broken, and these breccias most likely formed when hot lava erupted into, or ran into, shallow water. The encounter between water and lava at up to 2000 degrees Fahrenheit is violent. Explosive steam shatters the chilled lava into fragments of all shapes and sizes.

The resulting deposit is porous, saturated with water and salts, so its minerals are more easily decomposed. These breccias are softer and pastel-colored, in contrast to the solid flow basalts. They are different again from the underwater "pillow basalts", which you may have seen in oceanography programs on TV. The pillow basalts form at greater depths, under such pressure of seawater that explosive steam cannot be generated.

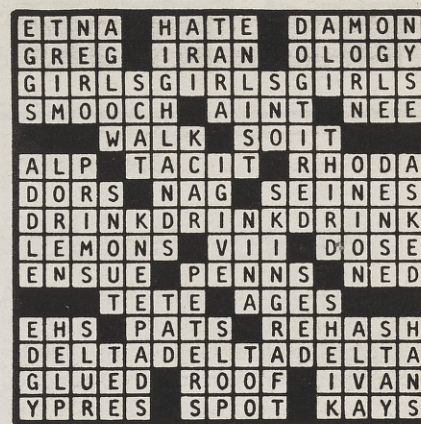
Going now to the south end of Carmel Beach, you will see predominantly flows of black basalt. Keep going over the rocks, if the tide isn't too high, and you will suddenly be in granite, light-colored and coarsely crystalline.

A junction between two different formations is what geologists call a contact, and there are only three possible explanations for it. The basalt flowed over a pre-existing granite, the granite intruded (invaded) a pre-existing basalt, or the two formations were brought together by movement along a fault.

In this case, you can play geologist and find the answer. If you poke around, you will see the basalt and granite joined along

a sharp straight line, running northwestward into Carmel Bay. At points along this contact there are crushed fragments of both rocks. This is the Cypress Point fault, which can be seen again in Pebble Beach.

Editor's Note: Our June 24 issue had an article in this series on the History of the Carmel River. The caption to the photograph with that article was misleading. Although the pictured road cut does show some Monterey Shale, what one sees is mainly terrace gravels.



Erosion Control Project to Protect Cal-Am Berwick Well Nears Completion

A major erosion control project to protect California-American Water Company's well behind the Mid-Valley Shopping Center is nearing completion. The work is best seen from Robinson Canyon Bridge. It begins about 600 feet downstream from the bridge.

Upstream erosion led to a large gravel bar being formed in this area. The gravel bar deflected storm flows against the river bank by the well on the north side. When willows became established on this gravel bar in the middle of the channel, even higher storm flows were directed toward the fragile bank. This caused undercutting and destruction of the Cal-Am well. As one of 10 wells in the major aquifer downstream of Scarlett Road, this well was an important component of the Peninsula's water supply system.

The erosion control project was designed for Cal-Am by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District through its Carmel River Management Program. The project involves three major parts:

- Relocation of the gravel bar and rebuilding of eroded river banks to re-establish the proper river alignment.

- Placing concrete rubble riprap over a layer of filter cloth to protect against future storm flows.

- Replanting native vegetation, mostly willows, to provide additional erosion protection, and installation of a drip irrigation system to ensure healthy growth of this vegetation.

This project is the first time in five years that the California Department of Fish and

Game has permitted tracked vehicles, such as bulldozers, to work within the river channel. Graham Matthews, hydrologist for the Water District's River Management Program, says "this is a major breakthrough for future erosion control projects. Removing gravel bars which direct stream flow against weak banks is one of the quickest and most important ways of preventing erosion. Using bulldozers makes these projects less expensive, and therefore much more likely to get done."

The Water District staff negotiated this agreement with Fish and Game. Previously, Matthews said, it was not cost-effective to try to remove gravel bars with rubber-tired equipment such as loaders and backhoes.

In return for Fish and Game's agreement to allow bulldozers in the river bed, the Water District and Cal-Am had to agree to "re-armor" the river bed after the work was completed. This involves sorting and replacing the cobbles to make a firm base for the river channel, and thereby reducing the amount of sediment that is transported downstream the following winter.

The contractor for this job is Gerry Paddock of Carmel Valley Enterprises. He was also low bidder for a similar project done by the Water District last fall to protect Schulte Road Bridge.



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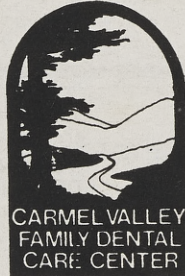
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How To Decipher A New-Issue Prospectus

When you're enthusiastically considering an investment in a new stock issue (known technically as an initial public offering, or IPO), it may seem like drudgery to pore over the issue's prospectus. True, this document is tedious to read, but it is also the single most important source of information available on the new issue.

A prospectus is the official disclosure document the Securities and Exchange Commission requires a company to offer to all potential investors. Whether you're reading the preliminary prospectus (known as a "red herring" because of the red warning on the cover that it is not a complete offering statement) or the final version, study the following key sections:

The Cover

The name of the lead underwriter is on the cover. A well-known brokerage firm, particularly one that has successfully underwritten new issues in the past, is a good sign.

The Company

This section summarizes the company's history, structure, size, and operations. Unless the company is a start-up (the riskiest type of new issue), its current strengths can provide clues to its future performance. Does the prospectus discuss the company's position vis-a-vis its competition? Does the firm have patents and trademarks to help protect its position? Is it active in research and new product development?

Management

Carefully review the officers' and directors' professional backgrounds. Look for achievements specifically relevant to the new company's operations, not merely good general business experience.

Capitalization

Use this discussion of the company's finances to judge how management has used its resources up to now. The higher the debt-to-equity ratio, for instance, the less liquid the company and the more vulnerable it may be in the future.

Review the balance sheet and financial statements at the end of the prospectus.

Read the footnotes and be wary if they describe special payments to directors or employment contracts, stock options and perks for company managers. Glance at the auditors' statement to make sure the accountants have no reservations about the company's financial reporting.

Use of Proceeds

Here you see management's plans for the money raised by the stock offering. Retiring existing debt is not nearly as promising as developing new products or otherwise expanding the business.

Selling Shareholders

This is a critical portion of the prospectus, because it tells you the kind of shares making up the offering - shares owned by the founders or new shares. If they are the principals' shares, those people stand to reap huge cash windfalls from the sale. In that case, you have reason to wonder how much confidence they have in the company. On the other hand, if most of the shares are new ones, the principals are demonstrating their faith in the company's future by permitting the value of their own holdings to be diluted.

As a rule, the offering itself should represent between thirty and sixty percent of the company's total worth.

Risk Factors

This section details in strong terms the potential problems that may derail the venture. Read it last, after you have a reasonably good sense of the company's prospects, its financial situation, and its management. Do the risks outweigh what you've already learned about the company?

After you read a new-issue prospectus this way, your decision to invest or not to invest will be an informed one. That's no guarantee you'll make money - but at least you'll reduce your chances of buying a lemon.

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Just drop your bucket where you are.

—Sam Walter Foss

ETA Band Plans Benefit For Rape Crisis Center

Carmel Valley residents are invited to attend a special benefit for the Monterey Rape Crisis Center, on Sunday, August 2, 5 to 9 p.m. at the Monterey Sheraton Hotel.

Just over a month ago, E.T.A., a local band, was practicing at the American Legion Hall when they were interrupted by a young woman who came running into the building asking for help. Apparently she had managed to escape from a potential rapist. The man had a gun, but the band members were able to intervene, and held him until the police arrived.

The band had been considering doing a benefit dance/concert for an area nonprofit agency, and after this incident they decided that the Monterey Rape Crisis Center would be the most deserving. E.T.A.'s manager, Steve Vagnini, called the Center to suggest a benefit that would not only raise money, but also raise awareness regarding the high rate of sexual assault in the Monterey Peninsula.

The idea has snowballed. Four local bands will be performing: E.T.A., Ryker Island, The Roger Eddy Band, and the Broadway Blues Band. Special guests include State Senator Henry Mello, 5th Dis-

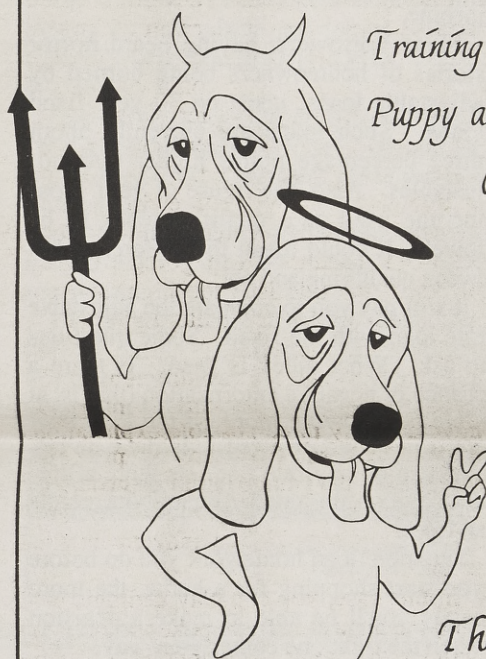
trict Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman, Chair of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, and Mary Woods, who works for a Los Angeles television network and is a sexual assault survivor who has the courage to speak publicly about her ordeal. Kimberly Hunt from KMST will emcee.

The Monterey Rape Crisis Center's purpose is to assist victims of sexual assault and to prevent sexual assault through safety awareness education. Included among the Center's services are a 24-hour crisis line; accompaniment of victims to hospital, to law enforcement agencies, and through the court system.

A variety of counseling services including a weekly support group for victims and their families is also available. The Center's education program focuses on increasing awareness, personal safety, and sexual assault prevention.

Tickets purchased in advance are \$5 per person; at the door, \$6, and may be obtained by mailing a check with a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Monterey Rape Crisis Center, P.O. Box 2630, Monterey, CA 93942. For further information, please call 373-3955.

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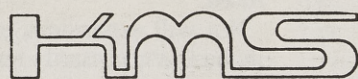
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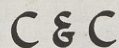
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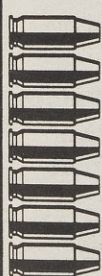
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Can You Afford The Loan?

By Glen Bradley

Every Realtor can tell a story or two, or three, about enthusiastic buyers who found their dream home, signed a contract to buy it - and then found they couldn't qualify for the loan.

How do you avoid getting into that situation?

Easy as pie. Go to a lending institution and ask the loan officer to pre-qualify you. You'll find out in short order just how much you can afford to spend on a home, and how much you can afford in monthly payments. Then you can go out shopping - and you'll have helped your Realtor enormously in his/her task of finding just the right house for your pocketbook.

Most lenders will probably ask you these or similar questions:

•Will you be occupying this house as your primary residence?

•Have you been in your present line of work (not necessarily with the same company) for two or more years?

•Do you have any credit problems?

•How much do you have as a down payment?

•What is your gross monthly income?

•Not counting housing, how much do your debts amount to each month (car loans, credit cards, etc)?

Lenders look at two figures to determine the price you can most probably afford for a house, and how much of a monthly payment you can make.

One figure is a percentage of your gross income. Let's use the figure of 35 percent. If you and your spouse earn between you \$5000 a month, then you should figure on a maximum of \$1750 for P.I.T.I.

What's that? Principal, interest, taxes, insurance.

Assuming taxes and insurance cost \$250 a month, that leaves \$1500 for principal and interest. Let's say we're looking at an adjustable loan at about 7.95 percent interest. Using an amortization table, we find that for a loan of \$200,000 principal and interest would be \$1468. Add \$250 for taxes and insurance, and you get \$1718. This means you could comfortably qualify for a home in the \$250,000 price range.

In addition, you could have other debts totaling \$432 per month and still qualify. The reason for this is that all combined income. In our example, 43 percent of \$5000 is \$2150, less \$1718 equals \$432. Simple, isn't it?

Incidentally, if your down payment is 25 percent or more, some lenders do not require income verification. That cuts down on the paperwork and speeds processing of the loan. However, on a 75 percent loan, your debts should not exceed one-half your income.

Many borrowers, having heard horror stories of homeowners being burned by adjustable loans, insist on 30 year fixed loans. Such loans are currently about three percentage points higher than adjustables. Also, the figure of your gross income used as a qualifier tends to be lower. It could mean the difference between qualifying and not.

It will pay you to compare the adjustable rate loan with the fixed. Some questions to ask: What index is used? Is there a chance of negative amortization (that is, at some point owing more on the loan than you originally borrowed)? Is there an annual cap on any rate rise? Is there a lifetime cap on the rate? What about points and fees?

The more loan homework you do before you start shopping for a home, the more easily you'll be able to make a decision when the right one comes your way.

So, good luck, and remember - your friendly loan officer wants your business. He'll help you help yourself!

Fame is a fickle food
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—Emily Dickinson

Mortgage Interest Rates

Lender	30 Yr. Fixed Rate Loan		Adjustable Rate Loan	
	Int.	Pts.	Int.	Pts.
American S & L	10.000	2.00	7.500	1.50
Bank of America	10.250	2.00	7.000	1.50
Calif. First Bank	10.250	2.00	7.875	2.00
Eureka Federal S & L	10.750	2.00	7.750	1.50
Fremont Bank	9.750	2.50	6.950	1.50
Great American 1st S&L	10.250	2.00	7.950	1.50
Home Federal S & L	10.375	2.00	7.500	1.50
Household Bank	10.375	2.00	7.500	1.50
Monterey S & L	10.335	2.00	7.500	1.50
SF Federal S & L	10.375	2.00	7.250	1.75
World S & L	10.600	2.00	7.500	1.50
Security Pacific	10.125	2.00	7.750	2.00
Coast County Mortgage	10.000	2.00	7.250	2.00
Del Monte Mortgage	9.875	2.00	6.875	2.25
Monterey Coast Mortgage	10.000	2.00	7.500	1.50
Pacific Inland Financial	9.875	2.00	6.875	2.50

This table is a representative sampling of local mortgage loan interest rates for owner-occupied residences. Many other lenders offer similar loans.

Rates were in effect on the Friday prior to publication. Rates are subject to change. There is no guarantee of loan availability with any particular lender.

Interest rate and points are not the only factors to consider when comparing mortgage terms. You may also wish to determine maximum loan amount, minimum percentage down payment, processing time and fees.

Adjustable rate mortgages (ARMs) have rates that change according to the cost of money in the money market. The ARM rate cited here is the "going in" rate designed to attract buyers who otherwise might not qualify. To compare ARMs, you will need to determine the time of the first adjustment, frequency of subsequent adjustments, maximum annual increase, maximum allowable rate, the money market index used as basis for the adjustment, and the "spread" between this index and the adjusted interest rate.

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Fire Victims To Have Water Permits Waived

Victims of the recent Pebble Beach fire will be exempt from paying large water connection charges if they are merely replacing houses that have burned. According to Michael Ricker, Demand Management Coordinator for the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, only a nominal processing fee of \$25 will be assessed for in-kind replacement of residential construction. Further, fire victims won't face delays in processing; permits will be issued while you wait, Ricker added.

Nor will expansions over what was lost in the fire necessarily result in higher fees.

This is because of a recent Monterey County requirement regarding water saving landscapes and plumbing fixtures. Use of more efficient plumbing fixtures will allow some expansion without an increase in the household water use. If this is the case, only the permit processing fee will be imposed.

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Inside the Garden Gate



Fire Retardant Landscapes

By Lee Freedom

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Last month, Sidney Reade, fire marshal from the Mid Carmel Valley Fire Department, included in her article on fire prevention a plant list for fire retardant landscaping. I'd like to further expand upon that article and discuss some of the basic conflicts between drought resistant and fire retardant plantings.

First, a story: Years ago, I did regular maintenance on a 150 acre resort in the Santa Cruz Mountains near Lexington Reservoir. Living on the property was an old man who, for many years, went around pulling up the Scotch Broom with such a vengeance that most people considered him a little eccentric. It was one of those thankless jobs, as there was Scotch Broom everywhere, and it comes up like a weed in areas where the soil is disturbed. This man, though, was the retired vice president of a bank, and bankers usually don't do things unless they see a payoff somewhere. Well, as many of you know, there was a large brush fire in that area four years ago. The only structures left standing were those that had the Scotch Broom cleared away from them well in excess of the county fire codes.

Fine, you say, what's this got to do with the subject at hand? I guess it illustrates a basic conflict in that a drought plant (Scotch Broom) certainly would not fit into the category of fire retardant. A real bad choice next to the old horse barn.

The problem is that much of the drought resistant plant material for landscaping comes from the Chaparral belts, i.e., Manzanitas, Toyons, Coyote Brush, Scotch Broom, Wild Lilacs, etc. Chaparral likes to burn; unfortunately, in fact, I've heard that many of the plants in this belt don't germinate their seeds unless there's been a fire. The seeds have to be heated up and scorched to germinate, so in a strange way, the Chaparral wants to burn to perpetuate its kind. This rather runs

counter to what we humans usually have in mind though, so, what can we do to better harmonize with this situation?

There are a number of plants that are fire retardant as well as drought resistant. Basically, what I like to see in a good, low water usage landscape are plants that have a lush green look rather than the cooked desert look. One that I think bears merit is the combination of Baccharis (Dwarf Coyote Brush), Rockrose, and Sunrose.

Baccharis is a beautiful ground cover that makes bright green mats of billowing, rolling green waves. It grows 2-3 feet high and it's great on sloping areas. It needs little water once established. The only maintenance is a yearling pruning of the old dead growth. It is my kind of plant - esthetically good looking, low maintenance, little water. Baccharis looks good combined with Rockrose (Cistus). There are two varieties - a white and a pink. Either can be combined with the Sunrose (Helianthemum) for an interesting look. All these plants do well in the hot Carmel Valley sun.

Those of a different bent may prefer ice plant interspersed with Dwarf Artemisias. This planting really emphasizes the grey tones and contrasts the fine lacey texture of the Artemisia with the coarser look of the ice plant. I like both the Lampranthus and Drosanthemum floribunda's ice plants. Both have smaller leaves and a finer texture than the freeway ice plant, and both are profuse bloomers. The Lampranthus forms a thick mat whereas the Drosanthemums are more a clumping variety. Both establish quickly and require little water. They are excellent fire retardant plants due to their high moisture retention.

Anyhow, these are two examples of plantings that are both fire retardant and drought resistant. With a little creativity and imagination, we don't have to sacrifice anything in our planting preferences.

Traffic Issue Triggers

Continued from Front Page.

Works Department of average daily traffic at 17 locations described in the Master Plan, including nine segments of Carmel Valley Road.

•Annual evaluation in December to identify road segments that are approaching traffic volume which would lower their LOS category.

•Public hearings to be held in January following a report in which any of the 17 road segments is within 100 average daily trips of falling into a lower LOS category.

Attorneys Rosenthal and Henson have two principal problems with the county staff recommendation. They believe it is inadequate to merely specify that a public hearing be held. They want the Master Plan to incorporate Judge Silver's order that development stop when certain traffic conditions are reached. At that time, an EIR should be prepared to examine means of restoring the appropriate level of service. This EIR should examine the feasibility and cost of road improvements and how they can be paid for, including the financial responsibility of those who wish

to build on property served by the road.

Rosenthal and Henson also believe that action should start when a road is within 250 average daily trips of falling into a lower LOS category, rather than 100 trips as specified by county staff. This is because of the long lead time in planning road improvements and the uncertainty about funding these improvements.

County Counsel Ramos believes the county needs flexibility in implementing Judge Silver's order, and that a public hearing prior to deciding upon appropriate action is the best course.

In describing his position to the Sun, Ramos said that rather than stopping development one may wish to permit it while requiring payment of a stiff fee into a special fund for improvement of the road. Paying for road improvements through such assessments may require that development be permitted to proceed before the road is improved.

Ramos also said there may be constitutional problems, especially in view of recent Supreme Court decisions on property rights, in telling a property owner that he cannot build on a lot of record because the traffic count is too high.

Little League Season Ends

The Carmel Valley Tigers finished the season as first place champions beating Carmel's first ranked team, Derek Rayne, 6-5 on July 4.

Team efforts by both clubs made for a very exciting game. Frank Melicia of Derek Rayne hit a beautiful home run out of the park.

The Carmel Valley Indians finished in second place, going on to beat Carmel's second place team, La Playa, 6-2.

The minor league All Star game was played during the 4th of July festivities. For the first time in nine consecutive years, the Blue Team (Blue Bandits) beat

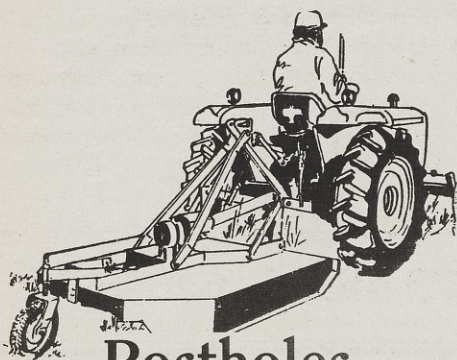
the Red Team (Red Hots) 18-15.

What a great day it was for minor league coaches Mo Moulaison and Tony D'Aquanno! 4th of July is a great time at the CV Little League Park, what with steaks cooking, music playing, and baseball fans cheering.

Congratulations to the teams, their coaches, and their parents for the support given throughout the 1987 season.

A special thanks to all Board members, umpires, and sponsors for their hard work and the time they volunteered so that our children could play this All American sport.

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Kimbrough, Frank win Little League Awards

Jeffrey Kimbrough of the winning Tigers (sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank) was awarded the Most Improved Trophy at the season finale on July 4th. Kris Frank, also of the Tigers, was awarded the Most Inspirational Trophy.

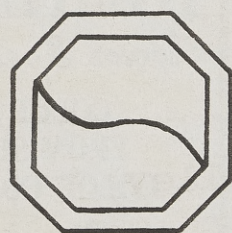
Jeff began his Little League play under Mo Moulaison, coach of the Pirates, and continued with the Tigers under Alan Cosseboom and Tim Brattin. Jeff also played with the 11 and 12 year old All Stars.

Kris Frank, too, is a member of the All Star team. Kris, 12, attends Carmel Middle School. During the Season, he played

shortstop and pitcher for the Tigers. He hit seven home runs during this season and batted .615 with 49 runs batted in.

Other All Stars include Erick Eyerman, Dylan Coleman, Evi Plata, David Bernhart, Kyle Kootz, Louie Dillard, Vernon Hendey, Sasha Kauffman, Jean Bohlje, Cyrus Morse, Gary Grewell, Anthony Herro, Al Ternates, John Bonyne, and Jamie Cosseboom.

The Tigers squeaked by Carmel 6-5 to gain the Tournament of Champions title, and then downed Toro Park on July 13 by a score of 14-4.



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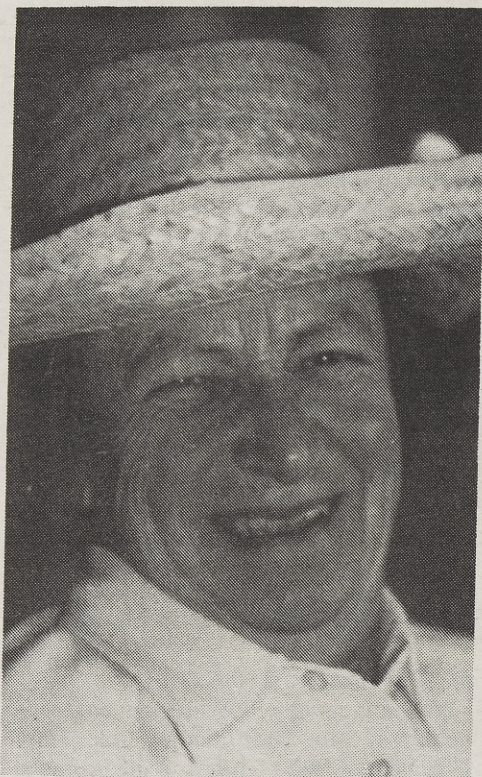
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Flying Saucers (UFOs) are in the news again. Do you believe they exist?



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Student, 5th grade

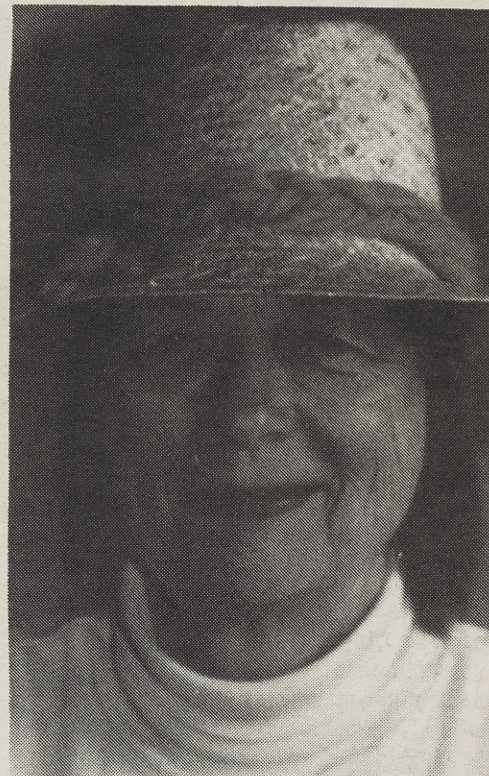
I don't believe in flying saucers. I don't think there are aliens from outer space. I do believe there is life on Jupiter and Saturn, but they don't do space travel.



CARRIE SLABAUGH

Student, 6th grade

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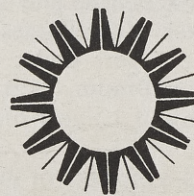
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